

Lord Curzon Exposed Through Avinash Patra

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Preface

In 2010, being a student at New York State University, The author's filed Dr. Jitamitra Prasad Singh Deo(An Indian Archeological lifelong free – lance researcher) , feeded me with much information's of ancient cultural & spiritual glories of ancient India.

From A book Name “India in Bondage: Her Right to Freedom”: By: Jabez T. Sunderland, in his Palace Library supplied me with the quotation of the speech of Lord Curzon in Delhi Durbar 1901:

"Powerful Empires existed and flourished here [in India] while Englishmen were still wandering painted in the woods, and while the British Colonies were a wilderness and a jungle. India has left a deeper mark upon the history, the philosophy and the religion of mankind, than any other terrestrial unit in the universe."

The Beauty is that the truth of this saying is are now seconded by great archeological finding throughout the world, and showing India's impact in spiritually and culturally civilized ancient world, so; it proves Lord Curzon far sighted and able administrator.

SPEECHES ON INDIA

~ (VICEROY AND GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDIA WHILE IN ENGLAND IN JULY AUGUST, 1904).

I.

SPEECH ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF LONDON, AT THE GUILDHALL, ON JULY 20, 1904.

ON Wednesday, July 20, 1904, Lord Curzon was presented with the Freedom of the City of London, in the Guildhall. After he had been addressed by the City Chamberlain (Sir J. Dimsdale), and had signed the Roll of Burgesses, Lord Curzon replied in the following words: My Lord Mayor, my Lords, Ladies, and Gentle- men, Let me begin by thanking the Chamberlain very warmly for his kind reference to Lady Curzon. Though, as he remarked, not officially present here to-day, she is yet in this hall to hear the courteous things that he said about her, and with which, in reference to the assistance she has rendered to me and to the work that she has done in India, I venture cordially to associate myself.

My Lord Mayor, I do not suppose that there is any honour which a public man can value more highly than the Freedom of the City of London. No fee can purchase it, no conqueror can claim it as his own ; it is the free gift of the corporation of the greatest city in the world, and it has the added dignity of the associations that accompany it, and the memory of the illustrious names with which each fresh recipient is proud to find his own enrolled. But the honour seems to me to carry an especial grace when it is conferred upon those servants of the Crown who have been serving their country in distant parts, for it shows them that in their absence they have not been altogether forgotten, and that those of you who are at the heart of Empire are not indifferent to what is passing on the outskirts.

By a law which was designed for different times, and which, in my opinion, is now obsolete, no Viceroy of India can leave India for England, whatever the urgency, public or private, without vacating his office; and so it is that a man may be absent, as I have been, from his country for an unbroken period of five and a half years without sight or sound of home. During his long exile the weight and isolation of his great post tell heavily upon him. Fatigue of body and spirit often press him down ; the volume of work that he has to discharge is such as no man who has not undertaken it can well imagine. You may judge, therefore, what a reward I had almost said, what a tonic to body and soul is such a reception as this to such a man ; how his heart warms within him at the sympathetic recognition of his countrymen, and how fresh courage and spirit are infused into him to go forth again and renew his task.



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My Lord Mayor, the City Chamberlain in his speech has drawn an appreciative and flattering picture of some of the aspects of the administration with which I have been concerned. If I detected in some of his remarks the too generous partiality of one old Etonian for another, I am yet conscious of the service that he has rendered to India by inviting the attention of this representative assemblage to some features in our recent administration.

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